

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 - 6. (canceled)

7. (previously presented): A method for managing the interaction between a plurality of information appliances and a plurality of appliance services, said information appliances being removably connected to said appliance services through a network, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, by an appliance service, an authentication interface dynamic base object including an appliance service request from an information appliance having an appliance type and an appliance identifier, said appliance service being a content provider;

testing said request to determine whether said information appliance is registered;

testing said request to determine whether said appliance identifier is authorized to receive a service from said appliance service; and

authorizing services for said information appliance from said appliance service.

8. (original): The method as described in claim 7, further comprising the step of collecting transaction information describing the services provided to said information appliance by said appliance service.

9 - 12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended): A method for managing the interaction between a plurality of information appliances and a plurality of appliance services, said information appliances being removably connected to said appliance services through a network, the method comprising the steps of:

transmitting an authentication interface dynamic base object to a content provider information appliance from a user information appliance;
receiving the authentication interface dynamic base object by the content provider information appliance; and
verifying the authentication interface dynamic base object through a central authenticator, wherein the authentication interface dynamic base object passes verification to an authentication implementation dynamic base object, the authentication implementation dynamic base object including user authentication information,
wherein the central authenticator is used to at least one of certify that an account has sufficient funds or confirm an identity of a user.

14. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the authentication implementation dynamic base object includes user authentication information previously inputted by a user.

15. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the authentication interface dynamic base object includes a transaction dynamic base object.

16. (previously presented): The method as described in claim 15, wherein the transaction dynamic base object is capable of being utilized to at least one of provide to or derive from a user's account financial data, the user's account residing on the central authenticator.

17. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the authentication interface dynamic base object includes a registration dynamic base object, the registration dynamic base object capable of being utilized to provide registration information from a user's account residing on the central authenticator.

18. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the authentication implementation dynamic base object provides data to enable access by a user to the content provider without indicating to the content provider identity of the user.

19. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the central authenticator enables dynamic support of a plurality of payment methods.

20. (original): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the authentication interface dynamic base object is encrypted.

21. (new): The method as described in claim 13, wherein the user authentication information includes a credit card number and an expiration date of a credit card.